AMENDMENT(S) TO THE CLAIMS

- 1. (currently amended) A fishing bobber, comprising:
- a flotation body with a an open unfilled cavity therein; and
- a tube at least partially projecting into said cavity.
- 2. (original) The fishing bobber of claim 1, wherein said tube is integral with said flotation body.
- 3. (original) The fishing bobber of claim 1, wherein said tube includes an opening extending through said flotation body.
- 4. (original) The fishing bobber of claim 1, wherein said tube one of projects substantially through said cavity and projects entirely through said cavity.
 - 5. (original) The fishing bobber of claim 1, wherein said cavity has a cylindrical form.
- 6. (original) The fishing bobber of claim 5, wherein a diameter of said cavity is larger than a depth of said cavity.
- 7. (original) The fishing bobber of claim 1, wherein said flotation body is substantially spherical.

- 8. (currently amended) A fishing system, comprising:
- a fishing line;

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- a fishing hook secured to said fishing line; and
 - a safety bobber through which said fishing line traverses, said safety bobber including:
 - a flotation body with a an open unfilled cavity therein; and
 - a tube at least partially projecting into said cavity.
 - 9. (original) The system of claim 8, wherein said tube is integral with said flotation body.
 - 10. (original) The system of claim 8, wherein said tube includes an opening extending through said flotation body.
- 11. (original) The system of claim 10, wherein said fishing line traverses through said opening.
- 12. (original) The system of claim 8, wherein said tube one of projects substantially through said cavity and projects entirely through said cavity.
 - 13. (original) The system of claim 8, wherein said cavity has a cylindrical form.
- 14. (original) The system of claim 13, wherein a diameter of said cavity is larger than a depth of said cavity.

- 15. (original) The system of claim 8, wherein said flotation body is substantially spherical.
- 16. (original) The system of claim 8, further comprising a line stop compressed on said fishing line.
- 17. (original) The system of claim 8, wherein said fishing hook includes an eye and a shank, said opening being large enough to accommodate an entry of said eye and said shank thereinto.
- 18. (currently amended) A method of preparing fishing tackle, comprising the steps of:

 providing a fishing bobber having a flotation body with a an open unfilled cavity therein
 and a tube at least partially projecting into said cavity;

threading a fishing line through said tube; and securing said fishing line to a fishing hook.

- 19. (original) The method of claim 18, further comprising the step of compressing a line stop onto said fishing line.
- 20. (original) The method of claim 18, further comprising the step of sliding said fishing line until said fishing hook is at least partially in said tube.

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